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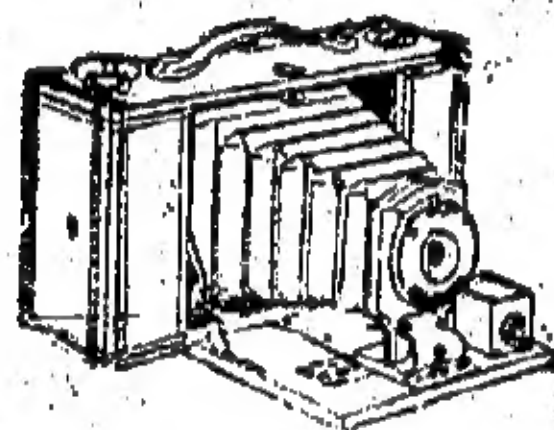


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The Daily Press

HONGKONG, MAY 13TH, 1911.

The future of China, from the point of view of the foreign investor, is certainly an attractive subject, and in the extract we reproduce to-day from a book on "Far Eastern Securities," just published by Mr. F. W. Hirst, the Editor of *The Economist*, there are some reflections on this subject which will be read with much interest. We do not quite follow Mr. Hirst's line of reasoning when he asserts at the beginning of a paragraph that the sagacity and trustworthiness of the Chinese merchant, and the marvellous industry of a vast population, are the best securities of those who invest in the new railways; while he later on describes the Chinaman as a confirmed and incurable gambler. Mr. Hirst says that against the honesty of the nation have to be placed the incapacity and corruption of the government. Now there can be little difference of opinion about the incapacity of the government of China; and there has been only too much evidence of corruption for anyone to successfully challenge that charge, but the prospective investor in enterprises free from government control has yet to be afforded proof that his investments under those conditions would be any more secure than they are under the existing conditions, which in our opinion afford the strongest security it is at all possible to obtain in China. There is perhaps some justification for the view that "until the mysterious riddle of China has been a little further unravelled, the investor in Chinese loans

must regard himself as something of a speculator who deserves a rather high interest in return for his risk." But so long as China is prepared to enter into loan agreements similar to those under which she has obtained foreign capital for so many important railway enterprises, the investor may feel that his capital is as safe as in similar enterprises elsewhere. A sense of insecurity arises only when we recall the times of the Boxer rising, and occasions more remote when a hostile feeling against the foreigner and all his ways found expression in the destruction of railway plant and the ripping up of the permanent way. Unhappily, in China—Southern China at least—there is unrest yet, and one never knows what results might follow in the train of insurrections such as that attempted in Canton recently, and what effect such uprisings may have upon foreign investments in the area of disturbance. In this respect, therefore, the investor in China is "something of a speculator who deserves a rather high interest for his risk." But so far as the Government is concerned, it has faithfully discharged its liabilities in respect of its loans, and we have no doubt every care will be exercised to secure the lenders of capital. Incidentally we would once more draw attention to the fact that the security given by the Viceroy of Wuchang to the Hongkong Government for the railway loan of one million sterling a few years ago is in danger of disappearing by reason of the Government's present policy in regard to opium. The security for that loan consists of the opium revenues of four provinces, and as the Chinese Government has determined to suppress the cultivation and consumption of opium in China, it would be interesting to know whether the Colonial Government has been offered other satisfactory security in substitution therefor, or whether the Government is content to rely absolutely on the good faith of the Chinese authorities for the half a million pounds sterling which remains unpaid. In this case, as in all others, China so far has punctually fulfilled her obligations in regard to payment of interest and instalments of principal, and whatever justification may exist for regarding the Government as "incapable and corrupt," credit is justly due to China for the punctilious observance of her obligations with regard to the payments not only in respect of foreign loans but in the matter of indemnities also. We shall have a long time to wait in all the large towns, and China will become subject to vicissitudes and crises as violent as those which convulse the United States." The basis of this prediction is the financial débâcle at Shanghai last year, but Mr. Hirst's comment on this would be misleading if it gave to his readers the impression that it is Chinese who operate most on the Shanghai Stock Exchange. No doubt, in the course of the evolution of a New China we shall see much over-speculation, just as we have seen it in Japan, but a few lessons such as that given at Shanghai last year are likely to go a long way towards curing the gambling fever among a race of people renowned for their business sagacity and shrewdness. There is much, it is true, in the present state of China, to breed a gambling spirit, not the least obvious factor being the chaotic state of China's currency, which offers the strongest inducement to widespread gambling in exchange. Of late, however, it has been very evident that the question of finance, including currency reform, has been more competently handled in Peking, and the taking up of a foreign loan of ten millions sterling mainly for the purpose of currency reform is a most hopeful indication of progress along very sound lines. A foreign adviser is to be appointed, and one of his first duties will be to report upon the scheme already prepared, in accordance with the edict of May 24, 1910, by the Chinese, and mainly by CHEN-CHI-TAO, a Cantonese graduate of Yale, and at present Vice-President of the Government Bank, which, under the currency reform, will have a monopoly of the issue of bank notes. The scheme, the *Times* correspondent says, is considered sound; the difficulty will be its efficient administration. It is a great pity that a gold standard is not to be introduced, Japan had eventually to adopt a gold standard—at a price; and China may have to do it earlier than she thinks if she is to maintain stability of trade with foreign countries. It will be a pity if China's silver currency becomes debased like that of South American Republics; still worse if a paper currency, even more debased, is forced upon her for business purposes, with the enormous expansion of trade that is ahead; but we shall be the better able to estimate the probabilities when the details of the scheme are published.

The French Mail of the 11th April was delivered in London on the 11th May.

Two more cases of Plague were notified yesterday, both fatal—one being from a boat. This brings the total for the year to 51.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. Wood sentenced a Chinese who was convicted of returning from banishment to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour.

A truck coolie whom Mr. Halifax found guilty of cruelty to animals at the Magistracy yesterday was fined \$1-1, the alternative being one month's imprisonment.

The Follies were to have given their excellent entertainment in the Theatre last night, but they did not reach here yesterday owing to the Delta being delayed by fog. The performance announced for to-night will take place.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alien Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—  
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A Chinese mandarin, who is staying at the Stag Hotel, on Thursday took a villa from the Sincere Co. to the clock tower. After alighting he discovered that he had left his pocket-book containing \$4.50 in the villa, and reported the matter to the police.

The Bishop of Victoria goes to Canton to-day (Saturday) by the morning steamer. He is announced to preach at the English Church, Shumson, to-morrow morning, and to hold a confirmation at the Chinese (C.M.S.) Church in the afternoon.

On Thursday the Dutch steamer *d. Haas* arrived at Macao with about one hundred soldiers to relieve the time-expired men of the garrison. The new men had been transhipped at Singapore from the Dutch mail boat. The steamer is leaving to-day for Singapore, taking away the time-expired men.

We have received from Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son a copy of a well got up little book entitled, "Information for Travellers landing in Japan." It should prove of great assistance to tourists, and those who contemplate a first visit to the Land of the Cherry Blossom would do well to study it.

A farmer from the village of Fung San in the New Territories has reported to the police that at 11 p.m. on the night of the 9th instant three men armed with knives, entered his father's house, and while one mounted guard over the inmates, who were warned not to create a disturbance, the others searched the premises and found \$30. With this amount the robbers escaped.

The value of wireless telegraphy was demonstrated again yesterday, when the non-arrival of the P. and O. steamer *Albatross* in the harbour, owing to the vessel being delayed by fog in the Formosa Channel. She was expected to reach here at daylight this morning.

The Peking correspondent of the *Times*, referring to the recent Telegram Loan, says the development of the Chinese telegraphs is badly needed. At present China's inland telegraphs are the worst in the world. There is no uniform rate, no secrecy, and the offices are overburdened with officials ignorant of telegraphy. The rates are ridiculous, being on an average 12 times greater than in India.

Before Commander C. W. Bookwith, R.N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday, the master of the licensed steam launch *Wing Hing* was summoned for failing to observe the rules of the road. Evidence adduced showed that defendant's launch passed ahead of police launch No. 5 with a green light showing, and the police launch, which was travelling at full speed, had to go astern to prevent a serious collision. His Worship imposed a fine of \$25, the alternative being two months' imprisonment.

At the annual meeting of the members of the Hongkong Horticultural Society on Thursday, the Chairman (Mr. H. W. Looker), in moving the adoption of the annual report, remarked that if they could obtain the consent of H.E. the Governor to hold the next annual show on the "best site in the Colony," it would give the exhibition an undoubted fling. He also suggested a limit to the number of prizes which one competitor could secure. The report was adopted, and the office-bearers were elected as follows: President, Mr. John Barton; hon. secretary, Mr. L. Gibbs; and hon. treasurer, Mr. Patterson; committee, Messrs C. E. H. Beavis, Chao Po Sien, P. W. Goldring, Ho Kom Tong, F. Howell, H. W. Looker, W. J. Tatcher, A. H. Harris, and Mrs. Jordan.

## SIR HORMUSJEE MODY.

His large circle of friends in the Colony will be pleased to learn that Sir Hormusjee Mody is steadily recovering from his indisposition. They will also join with us in congratulating him on receiving from the President of France the decoration of Chevalier de Legion d'Honneur, the receipt of which distinction we are now able to confirm.

## SIX HOURS' TRAFFIC IN PICCADILLY.

On Friday, the 24th of March, from 12 o'clock mid-day until six o'clock in the evening, Mr. Hewitt Griffin, the chief Organizer for City Day Census, took a census of traffic passing along Piccadilly both east and west at a point 50 yards away from Piccadilly Circus. The result is somewhat interesting, as it shows the total number of vehicles as 3,514, 89.61 per cent. being motor vehicles, and only 10.39 drawn by animal power.

## TELEGRAMS.

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## THE OPIUM QUESTION.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

LONDON, May 12th.

Mr. Montagu, Under Secretary of State for India, replying to a question in the House of Commons, stated that in consideration of the fact that 21,000 uncertificated chests of opium in bond at Hongkong or at the Treaty Ports were now entering China, the Indian Government had agreed that the authorised export of certificated opium in the next three years shall be correspondingly reduced.

## REFORM OF THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

LONDON, May 12th.

Mr. Balfour, speaking at the Albert Hall, heartily supported Lord Lansdowne's Reform Bill.

## GERMANY AND ALSACE LORRAINE.

LONDON, May 12th.

After long and fruitless efforts to effect a compromise the Reichstag Committee on the Alsace Lorraine Bill (providing for self-government for these provinces) rejected the whole bill by 13 votes to 12.

The Bill now goes back to the Reichstag, where efforts to reach a compromise will be resumed.

## EGYPT AND SELF-GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, May 12th.

Just issued, states that with opportunities for self-government the Legislative Council and the General Assembly have become mere instruments of the Nationalist agitation. The Government will not be hustled into going faster or further in the direction of self-government than it considers to be in the interests of the whole Egyptian people.

## M. STOLYPIN CENSURED BY THE DUMA.

LONDON, May 12th.

A St. Petersburg telegram reports that after a debate lasting several hours the Duma by 202 votes to 82 passed a motion charging M. Stolypin with transgressing the Constitution by employing the Imperial prerogative for the purpose of establishing local autonomy in the Western Provinces.

[A telegram dated April 15th, referring to this matter, said:—In the Council of Empire, M. Stolypin defended the coup d'etat by which the Tsar suspended the sittings of the Council and the Duma and issued a Ukase introducing local Councils in Poland, after this proposal had been rejected by the Council of Empire and the Duma.]

The Council by 99 votes to 53 reaffirmed its dissatisfaction with the unconstitutional action of the Premier, but as the majority does not represent two-thirds of the votes the Tsar cannot be petitioned and the matter therefore drops.]

[FROM THE "CABLENEWS-AMERICAN"]

## THE SITUATION IN MEXICO.

Washington, May 8th.

President Taft to-day startled Congress and the country by presenting a special message to the effect that he had been informed to-day that peace had been made in Mexico. The President's message was in substance that, complying with the demand of Francisco Madero, leader of the insurgents, President Diaz had issued a manifesto declaring that he would resign provided he were definitely and satisfactorily assured that his resignation would end the war. The President further assured Congress that he had information from the Mexican border that both parties were withdrawing their hostile troops from the American border toward the interior.

President Taft laid the facts in the situation before Congress, he said, in order that that body might take proper action and determine what should be the next move of the United States in the matter, particularly with reference to the army now mobilized on the Mexican frontier.

The announcement of President Taft was a great surprise, inasmuch as the Press dispatches and official advices from Mexico for several days have been most discouraging.

## ALLEGED BARBAROUS TREATMENT OF CHILDREN.

A CHINESE WAY.

The case in which a Chinese woman named Cheung Yuk Sui, of No. 11, Pottinger Street, was charged with assaulting two maid-servants aged ten and eleven years respectively, was concluded before Mr. Hallifax at the Magistracy yesterday. Mr. R. A. Harding represented the defendant.

Dr. W. B. A. Moore, Assistant Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital, stated that both the children had a great number of bruises on their breasts, on the inner sides of their arms and legs, and on their shoulders. The bruises on the inner sides of the arms and legs looked like pinches, and would be very painful.

Mr. Harding said he had advised his client to plead guilty to pinching the elder girl, and also to punishing the younger one. The defendant was a respectable woman, and the wife of the managing partner in a compradore shop. Both the defendant and the girls came from the same village in China.

His Worship—They are not her children?

Mr. Harding said they were not, and that the defendant was in a better position in the village than they were. Since they had been with her she had taken them for a trip home, and their fathers had been down from the country to see them. This was not a case in which the defendant had strange girls with her whom it was necessary to protect. His client was prepared to plead guilty to pinching one girl and punishing the other, but she had a reason in each case. The younger girl was playing with lighted candles, and burning egg shells, and the defendant feared her. The elder, who was minding the defendant's child, held her on the rail of the balcony and was punished because of the danger.

His Worship—Why this particular form of punishment?

Mr. Harding—It is necessary to punish children, and these girls sometimes quarrelled between themselves and had to be chastised. His Worship—But you plead guilty to pinching.

Mr. Harding—Yes, I believe that is a Chinese custom.

His Worship—The doctor said the small bruises inside the arms and legs would necessarily be exceedingly painful. They are most sensitive parts of the body.

Mr. Harding—I will leave the case in your Worship's hands, but it is not a case in which strange children are at the mercy of a bad mistress. If she ill-used the children too much the defendant doesn't go back to her native village, as there would be a great disturbance.

His Worship—And what is the police view of it, Inspector Murison?

Inspector Murison—On the children's own statements this treatment has been going on for about twelve months. They came up to the police station together, and the oldest girl said she stood it until she couldn't stand it any longer.

His Worship—Did she give any reason for this treatment?

Inspector Murison—No.

The older girl was then put in the witness-box and said she was beaten because defendant's baby cried while she was looking after it. She carried the child in her arms, and did not rest it on the rail of the balcony.

How did you get the bruises on your shoulder?—I was struck with a rattan.

And the little girl?—She also was struck with a rattan.

What for?—Peeping over the verandah while carrying the child.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$50, and bound the defendant over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for six months. He also instructed Inspector Murison to refer the case to the Registrar-General.

Inspector Murison—That has been done, your Worship.

## THE CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

With reference to a paragraph published in our issue of the 8th inst. to the effect that trouble had occurred on the Chinese Section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, that robbers had attacked a train near Samchun and stolen a considerable quantity of material and personal property, and that so disturbed was the neighbourhood that the foreign engineers and staff had left the line for Hongkong, Mr. Chao Ching Hui, the acting managing director, writes to us stating that this news was erroneous, and in contradiction of it he states that the foreign engineers at Chang-Muk Tso and Ping-Pu, District No. 3 of the Railway, on hearing of the recent outbreak at Canton and the rumours then prevailing in the neighbourhood, left the place, for the simple purpose of avoiding any unforeseen mishap, and stayed at Samchun. Their leaving was not in consequence of any trouble, as in fact no trouble whatever has occurred at those places. The foreign engineers have now returned to their sections and the works on the Railway are proceeding in the usual way.

## SUPREME COURT.

Friday, May 12th.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR FRANCIS FIDGOTT).

A WRIT OF FOREIGN ATTACHMENT.

An application by the China Export and Import Bank Company, merchants, carrying on business at 2, Connaught Road Central, for a writ of foreign attachment against the Man Yuen Tai firm, of which Tse Lok Hing was managing partner, was submitted by Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. Johnson, of Messrs. Donnys & Bowley. The claim was for \$50,000 due by the defendants to plaintiffs for various dry goods sold and delivered.

Sir Henry Berkeley—This is a case for the recovery of a large sum of money due by the defendant who is absent from the Colony.

His Lordship—What is your application?

Sir Henry—For judgment. Well, to hear the case *ex parte*.

His Lordship—Is the place of residence of defendant known?

Sir Henry—No. He has gone away; all we have to do is to establish that he is absent from the Colony.

His Lordship—You show that his place of residence is not known?

Sir Henry—Yes.

His Lordship—Have you got an appointment?

Sir Henry—Everything is in order.

His Lordship—There is one formality. Has the writ been returned?

Sir Henry—Yes.

His Lordship—The Court has to appoint a day.

Sir Henry—It has been appointed.

His Lordship—It must be on the record.

Sir Henry—Then read the statement of claim, which stated that plaintiffs had supplied goods at various dates to the defendants, who absconded from the Colony last December.

The case having been proved, His Lordship gave judgment for \$44,177, and ordered that the writ be attached.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. F. A. HAZELAND (ACTING JUSTICE JUDGE).

ACCUMULATING DEBTS.

In the action at the instance of The Hongkong Hotel Company against E. B. Annesley for \$52.75, Mr. Shenton appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. P. W. Goldring for the defendant.

Mr. Goldring said there was a meeting of creditors at noon.

Mr. Shenton said he would prove his claim in Chambers on Saturday.

Mr. Goldring appeared on behalf of E. A. M. Williams, who claimed \$33.05 against the same defendant.

This was also adjourned.

## LOCAL SPORT.

INTERPORT CRICKET PRACTICE.

Another practice game for the forthcoming interport contest between Hongkong and Shanghai is set down for this afternoon on the Cricket Club between teams captained by Mr. Elborough and Mr. H. Hancock.

The following have been selected to play for Mr. Hancock's Team:—H. Hancock, R. Hancock, C. T. Hoot, T. E. Pearce, H. R. Makin, F. J. de Rome, M. M. Mass, Lt. N. J. Williams, A.S.C. Corp. T. Turner, Capt. Chapman, R.A., and Lt. Col. Hamilton, K.O.Y.L.I.

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## LAWN TENNIS LEAGUE.

C.C.C. v. WIGWAM.

The following will represent the C.C.C. in their tennis league match with the Wigwam to-day at 5 p.m. on the C.C.C. ground:—L. E. Lammert, H. H. Taylor, L. A. Rose, J. V. Bragg, E. L. Bragg and R. Bass.

Kowloon C.C. play Chinese Y.M.C.A. to-day. The former will be represented by Greene and Cordelia, Fowler and Rose, Abraham and Van Delden.

## LAWN BOWLS.

Two friendly matches have been arranged for this afternoon. Civil Service meet Kowloon at Happy Valley, and Taifoo play Police at Quarry Bay.

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## SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

## AERONAUTICS IN NATURE.

Flying seeds, much like the flying organs of birds, are found by Dr. A. A. S. a French student, to give admirable lessons in aeronautics. The plumed seeds of the dandelion and milkweed represent the parachute, and the maple and other winged seeds are motorless aeroplanes. Milkweed seeds are the type of a large class. The bursting seed-vessels liberate them as a multitude of conical plumes, each with many fine hairs, and these drop slowly down in still air, are carried horizontally by any breeze, but often mount upward, out of sight on ascending air currents. They are sounding balloons as well as parachutes. The Bignonia, a warm-climate plant, has a shell that throws out hundreds of seeds in full flight, each having a thick circular central part, with a very thin heart-shaped expansion supported by radial nerves. These seeds seem to be the lightest of all flying things. If this seed aeroplane were enlarged to a spread of 43 feet, it would weigh, with its load, 581 pounds, but the Voisin or Farman biplanes with like surface weight twice as much. The globular maple seed has an extension like a bee fore-wing. If ten times its length it would equal a gull's wing in size and supporting power, but its unsymmetrical shape causes it to fall with a curious rapid spinning motion.

## A PERPETUAL CLOCK.

The improved radium clock lately shown at the London Physical Society's exhibition gave audible time signals at adjustable intervals. A radium coated spiral rod on a flagstaff above the building collected electricity from the atmosphere, passing it down a wire to a tiny storage apparatus, and at a certain point an automatic discharge rang a bell. The original "clock" was hoisted as the nearest approach to perpetual motion, as the action is repeated indefinitely.

## A WATER STORING PLANT.

The guariqui, a plant of the Sonora desert in Mexico, absorbs water during the short rainy season, then dries up externally. Since 1902 the N. Y. Botanical Gardens has had a specimen in a museum case, where it annually puts forth quickly-disappearing tubers, and it is said that the plant will exist a quarter of a century without renewal of its water supply.

## GETTING IN TOUCH WITH CIVILIZATION.

Forest dwelling pygmies are the most mysterious of the earth's people. Long regarded as a myth of Herodotus and other ancient writers, their existence in the equatorial regions of Africa was proven by Stanley, and has been confirmed by later explorers. Other pygmies, it is now known, live on the wood-clad hills of the interior of New Guinea. Late explorations of the British Ornithologists' Union have shown that this is a region of dismal, dark and dripping jungle, infested with noxious insects and leeches, and the home of a strange, shy race, averaging 4 feet 6 inches to 4 feet 8 inches in height, and 100 pounds in weight. They live on fruit and jungle produce, and are found in the wallaby, pig, and cassowary, and fishing in the mountain streams. With no regular villages, their dwellings are the rudest kind of lean-to huts, made of branches and fan palms. From coast natives they had obtained a small wedge-shaped piece of iron, an inch by two inches in size, and this was inserted into a wooden handle to form their only metal tool, an axe that had effected remarkable results. With it they accomplished the almost incredible work of making a whole 20-acre clearing, although the jungle was dense, with many trees 12 to 15 feet in circumference.

## ASPHALT AS SOIL.

Asphalt paving or lining proves to be no obstruction to vegetation. In the courtyard of the Bank of Italy at Rome is a garden of shrubs, and beneath the court is a basement covered by arches, over which is a layer of asphalt seven-eighths of an inch thick to prevent percolation of moisture into the space where documents are stored. Removal of earth above the masonry has shown that several roots of Chamædorea—a kind of dwarf palm—had penetrated right through the asphalt, boring clean holes a quarter of an inch in diameter. Unable to pierce the masonry, the roots had forced a way between it and the asphalt, and some of the roots having died, holes were left for the free passage of water.

## A LARGE SCALE LUNAR MAP.

A new map of the moon, lately exhibited by Goodere to the Royal Astronomical Society, has all known features, accurately delineated from the position of 1,433 points fixed by Saunders. It is proposed to reproduce this map in 25 separate sheets, each 13 inches square, the whole representing the moon as a disc 60 inches in diameter.

## AVIATION WEATHER SERVICE.

The "holes in the air" that birdmen have found so dangerous are regarded by M. Durand Groville, a French meteorologist, as really sudden gusts or squalls, and he proposes to ensure safety by a system of special warnings, supplementing the ordinary weather service. The special signals would be sent from stations to the westward. The advent of the squall is generally marked by a gentle south-west wind, veering with startling suddenness and violence to the north-west, masses of clouds rising up suddenly from the west, frequently with thunder, and these phenomena are so distinct and simultaneous that the passage of the squall is easily and definitely observed. Warnings telegraphed from stations west of Paris have announced squalls that subsequently passed over the city at the predicted time. At the great Aeronautical Congress at Frankfurt in 1909, M. Link, meteorological director, requested

observers within 100 miles to give notice of any squalls passing their stations, and practically every disturbance was made known at Frankfurt more than an hour in advance.

## A ROCKET-PHOTOMETER.

The Luxometer, which has been attracting much attention as a simple apparatus for determining the surface brightness or illumination of any object, such as the different parts of a room, measures only 7 by 3 by 2 inches and weighs less than a pound. It includes a self-contained standardised lamp, which throws a beam of light on an inclined screen. A mirror, with the silvering removed from a central portion, is viewed through an eyepiece, and is at such an angle that the eye sees the screen as a small circular patch, through the central hole of which the object under test is viewed. By a milled head the angle of the inclined screen is changed until the illumination of the central and outer parts of the field of view coincides. A graduated scale gives readings—usually from 0 to 4 candle-feet. Tested in different parts of London's "tube" cars, in and out of doors, and on varying colours, the results have been curious and surprising.

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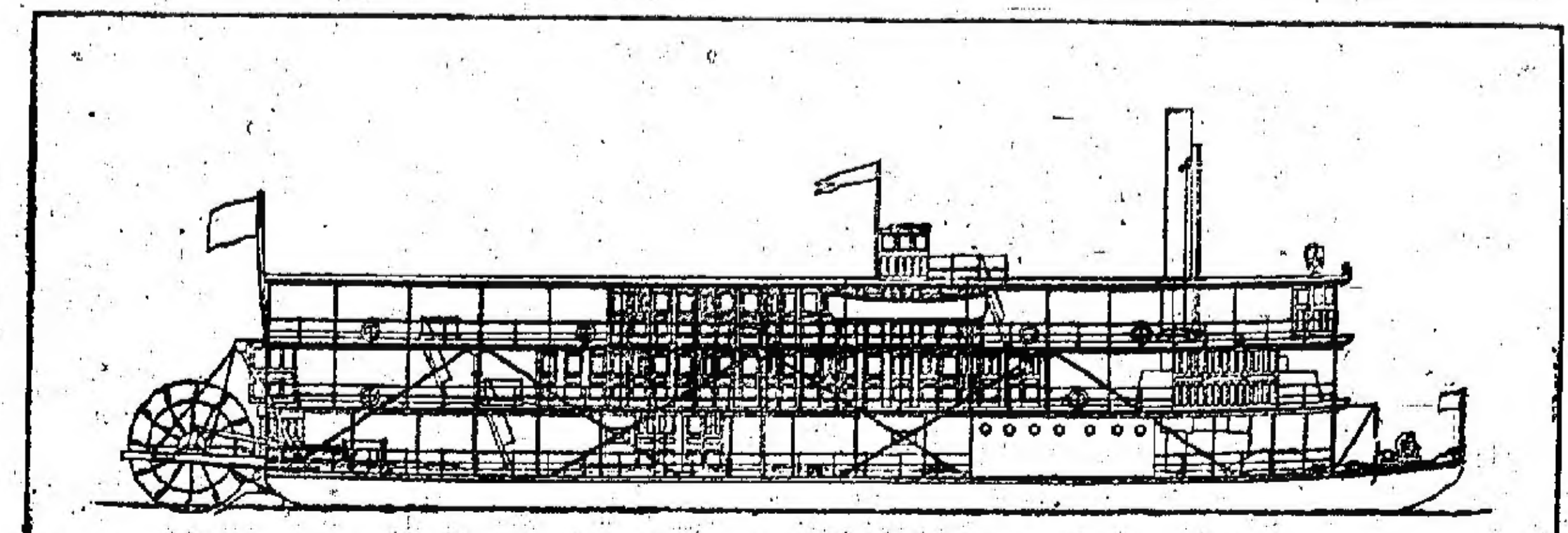
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#### WILD SCENES AT A CHATEAU.

Thrilling accounts of dramatic scenes, of which we are eye-witnesses, are given by a correspondent. He was passing through Ay on his way back to Epernay, when a cloud of smoke rose above the hills, and riotous cries resounded from that direction.

People look at each other questioning. "Where are they?" "They have just attacked Madame Bisinger's chateau."

The first feeling was one of indignation, as she is a very charitable lady, who gave £2,000 at the beginning of this year to an institution that she had founded, and whose husband, when he died some little time ago, bequeathed £8,000 to an asylum. She was the owner of a very trim chateau, situated at the further extremity of Ay.

Now comes the graphic story of what followed. At five p.m. a band of women and children, who had been drinking, advance to the assault, and succeed, with shouts of triumph, in forcing the doors. The salons, the dining-rooms, bedrooms, and offices are at once invaded and pillaged. The front windows are opened, and furniture, pictures, and objects of art are flung out on the boulevard, where they form a heap, which is set on fire.

"Bravo!" cry the most excited. "Encore, encore!" The women, with dishevelled tresses, and malice written on their features, call out, "They do not want all these pretty things when we are dying of distress!" The children, who are in strong force, sing the "Internationale" and stir up the fire. Men and women emerge from the mansion, laden with plate and other articles, which they divide among them. Suddenly, while these revolutionary scenes are at their height, the bugle sounds the retreat.

"Come out, comrades!" a voice cries, "it is going to flare up!"

Two minutes later the house is on fire, and flames are issuing from all the front windows and spreading to M. Edouard Besore's dwelling, close by. As they see the house of their benefactress on fire, the winegrowers, and their wives and children, seized with furious delirium, dance, shout, and sing. It is terrible.

#### "THE LAW DOES NOT EXIST."

Now for another tragic scene, also witnessed at Ay. A number of labourers assembled there earlier in the day, and there was talk of an advance on Epernay and of wholesale destruction. One or two advocates of mild destruction, but their voices are drowned by cries of "Down to the defrauders! Down to the defrauders!" Men rush to the church and the tocsin resounds. This is the expected signal.

Immediately labourers and women, with threatening countenances, spring up on all sides. "Ah! this time it will be warm!" exclaims a young man who is standing by me, with evident satisfaction.

"And why is it going to be hot?" I inquire. "Because we are sick of starving to make the defrauders fortune!"

"Yet there is the law," I put in. "The law does not exist," the young man answered. "In this Republic, you see, one must serve oneself if one would get anything."

Meanwhile, the square has been filling, and now from eight to ten thousand rioters are assembled. "By the assault!" a man cries, "Where are we going?" They ask. "To Ducoin's!" is the answer. They start off at a run and the house is speedily surrounded and sacked from top to bottom, after which it is set on fire. When it is in flames the revolutionists proceed successively to the establishments of M.M. Galois and Gauthier, which share the same fate. Then comes the turn of the winegrowers, and from the top of them the ringleaders harangue the crowd.

"Bravo, comrades! Keep it up! Now we are going to destroy everything at Goldmann's." New barricades are erected, and 10,000 rioters reach the Boulevard du Nord, where the vast houses of M.M. Dantz and Goldmann are situated. The entrance door is soon opened with the help of pickaxes. Vans laden with paniers full of bottles of champagne are in the courtyard ready to go out. They are overturned, and the wine flows in streams on the pavement. The rioters break into the cellars, and workshops, and savagely smash everything that they find there. Flames suddenly rise above the chief building. The wretches have set the offices on fire. A bugle sounds to warn the comrades who have remained inside the establishments of the danger of remaining there. Groups climb up to the adjacent heights, and throw bundles of rods on to the brazier to stimulate the fire.

From Epernay Frenchmen arrive with their engines, which is promptly upset, the first one being recommended to make off as speedily as possible if they value their lives. Other groups have reached the hills, and set fire to the straw mats which cover the vines, and, as the Galois, Gauthier, Goldmann, and Ducoin houses are still burning, one may imagine from Epernay that the entire town of Ay is a prey to the flames. It is a horrible spectacle, but the sight of all this disaster, far from appeasing or even moving the rioters, excites them all the more. They would like to see all the houses selected by them for pillage and incendiarism already reduced to ashes, as these are. Moreover, although they are worse for liquor, they reason coolly. They are proud of what they are about to do, and one of them cries in defiance of the gendarmes, who are quietly smoking their pipes: "That house will be on fire in a quarter of an hour. We will see to that!" And it was.

#### SOLDIERS' DIFFICULT TASK.

When he returned to Epernay the same writer saw another dramatic scene. An establishment had just been sacked, and the rioters were talking the affair over when dragoons rode up to them, and the order for them to disperse was given, but the men refused to obey. The dragoons were ordered by the commander to draw their sabres, whereupon the cry of "Vive l'Armée!" arose.

"Forward!" was the third order, yet even then the rioters held their ground, and the troops had to make their way through the mass by hitting out with the flat of their sabres.

Some distance off, the mob insults and threatens them. A lieutenant who has been unseated rolls on the pavement, but he is soon in the saddle again, and the charge goes on. But the vineyard labourers dispute every inch of the road, and the dragoons return to their starting-point after having driven them back only fifty yards. In the sunshine which lights up the Champagne hills we can see columns of rioters, continuing their march on Epernay and spreading devastation on their road. It is as if a "Jaquerie" had been let loose on the vineyards on this beautiful spring day. It is no time riot—it is revolution, against which the troops seem to be powerless.

How the labourers happened to select Ay for the main point of attack is graphically described as follows by the correspondent of the *Petit Journal* at Epernay. At nine o'clock in the morning, he says, the tocsin rang.

Rockets are fired from all the slopes and vineyards round about. We happen to be at Epernay at the moment when the vineyard labourers from the villages of Camille, Hautvillers, and other places assemble in the square in front of the church, with the intention of marching on Ay and Epernay. At ten o'clock the crowd starts on its march, while the tocsin is ringing. The mob consists of about 4,000 men, and the gendarmes in vain try to stop their march. The men sing revolutionary songs as they move along and pay no attention to the gendarmes. When driven off the road they scatter over the fields and find their way into the village. The troops in one place barred the road, but the mob threw themselves before the horses. They managed to break into Ay in the beginning of the afternoon, and then the scenes of horror and pillage began.

#### PILLAGING AT VINAY.

The scenes enacted at Ay were repeated on a smaller scale at Vinay. News, says one traveller, was brought this morning that a column of troops have been despatched to Pierry, and we infer at once that trouble is brewing there. The village is occupied by a military patrol, and soldiers are seen in every direction. The village of Moussy is guarded in the same way. At ten o'clock a gendarme comes riding along at a gallop, and brings the information that a gang of about 200 labourers from Saint Martin has made an irruption into the village of Vinay, and is demolishing the depot of M. Blondel, a wine merchant. We hurry to the place in a motor-car, but find it difficult to enter the village. Journalists are looked upon with suspicion, and frequently threatened. A battalion of the 16th Infantry rushes along at the double, but is stopped by a barricade. The mob had taken time by the forelock, and rolled barrels and empty casks into the street, and thus, with the help of all sorts of obstructive material, had raised an efficient barrier to the soldiers.

The Riot Act is read to them, but the mob is not cowed. The troops then get to work, removing the barricades, and succeed in making their way through. As they reach the cellars of M. Blondel the rioters have already done a good deal of destruction. Before taking to flight the mob smashed in forty casks, and the wine was flowing about. The proprietor himself came to implore the mob not to commit the ravages, and promised them not to deliver any more wine for the present. He even offered them £200 if they retired. They only sneered at him, and poured out the wine in his presence. When the soldiers came they scattered quickly, and were pursued for a short distance.

At Ventouil I learn that the villagers also raised barricades this morning, and an order was sent to despatch troops to the spot at noon. The soldiers were to destroy the barricades, and to occupy the village at all costs. The telegraph and the telephone wires were next cut in a number of places, and the Sub-Prefecture was entirely cut off from all communication. Rockets were fired and bombs were exploded all the morning at Pierry and other villages. At seven o'clock this morning also the mob, which had dispersed during the night, assembled again at Pierry and Avise. There is, says one correspondent, nothing but the sound of the tocsin, the noise of rockets, and signals all round. The labourers are being stirred up again to commit further depredations. The news reaches the Sub-Prefecture, and hostilities are again anticipated. General Goiran, of the 6th Corps, who is stationed here for the present on constant duty, at once gives orders, which are carried by messengers in different directions. The result is that squadrons of cavalry make their appearance at Pierry soon afterwards.

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## REVIEWS.

*Origins and Meanings of Popular Phrases and Names.* By BASIL HARGRAVE. London: T. Werner Laurie.

A condensed encyclopedia, this work, on its face, bears evidence of much reading, patient inquiry and research, and close observation. It might be argued that much has been omitted that might be included in a book of reference, but in all such compilations there is necessarily scope for divergence of ideas, and it may be fairly asserted that no two men, set the same task, would produce the same result. Mr. Hargrave may be complimented upon exercising a wise choice of words, names and phrases from the vast field of common English speech, and it is, in all cases, easy to assimilate the information he serves up in clear, concise phraseology. How did such a country, city, street, river, natural curiosity, or world-renowned edifice obtain its name? Whence arose a particular sobriquet, nickname, byword, epithet, or slang term? What was the origin of the thousand and one phrases engrafted upon our vocabulary with no apparent meaning whatever nowadays? These things are explained briefly and lucidly, too briefly, perhaps, in a few cases. For instance, it would have been more interesting to give the origin of the Order of the Garter than to tell us the literal translation of the motto of the Order. "Where economy of space was aimed at, however, such lapses were inevitable. We warmly commend the book for everyday use.

*Character.* By SAMUEL SMILES. London: John Murray.

In an age when the making of books seems to consist largely of the production of fiction, much of which is of doubtful value, it is refreshing to note that the "good book" has still got its place. By "good book" we mean that which exercises an elevating influence, that which is helpful, and that which can safely be placed in any hands. This description certainly applies to Murray's Shilling Library. In previous issues we have had "The Life of David Livingstone," "Painters of Florence, Self-Heip," "Deeds of Naval Daring," etc., and the latest publication is Dr. Smiles' "Character," which is in some respects a supplement to "Self-Heip." The value of the work has been too well appreciated to call for further comment here, but the enterprise of the publisher in placing such good books on the market at a low price is to be commended. The book is bound in red cloth covers.

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*The Golden Silence.* By C. N. and A. M. WILLIAMSON. London: Methuen & Co., Ltd.

A fascinating and thrilling story of life in Morocco, well written and admirably told. The reader gains an insight into Moorish life and customs, and learns something of the deep cunning which is cloaked in the reserve of the Bedouin. With a keen interest he follows the plot into the oases of the Sahara, where, after considerable rifle fire and much bloodshed, right conquers the might of Islam, and the story ends with the reward of true love within sight.

*The Great Gay Road.* By TOM GALLON.

London: John Long.

The success of the play argues well for the success of the novel. It is unconventional, but it is a story which grips. Kite is a unique character. He could not very well be described as a hero, because he is an outcast, a social outcast, and remains an outcast till the end. But though he be a rogue, and an impudent one at that, we cannot help liking him. His cheek is so colossal. He is a man who was once a gentleman, but his restless nature led him into many byways, with the result that he became the associate of tramps and learned to take out a living by his wits. In contemplation of burglary, he entered a house, and had the good fortune to be mistaken for the owner's long lost son. He played the part of the returned prodigal, and the fiction developed wonderfully in his hands. But a visitor to the house recognised Kite as a man with a past, and he once more took the "great gay road."

*In Cattle and Court House: Being Reminiscences of 30 years in Ireland.* By RAMSAY COLLES. London: T. Werner Laurie.

Were this a book to criticize, one might easily get bogged down in which to hang one's own opinions and style of literary and the old Edinburgh reviewer. But it is not a book to criticize; it is a book to enjoy. Every corner to every line is full of jokes and anecdotes, reminiscences of prominent persons in art, music, the drama, literature and politics. It is frankly egotistical, garrulous, sometimes incoherent, but it is none the less enjoyable on that account, and we readily forgive the writer for the roundabout way in which at times he drags in an anecdote or a personage in order to tell a whimsical anecdote. Some of the best of a poet himself and for many years a reviewer for the leading Dublin dailies, Mr. Colles has met or been in correspondence with, almost all the leading poets and writers of two continents for over a quarter of a century. It is not astonishing, therefore, that he should have a great stock of material of that sort which people like to read and enjoy nowadays. When we mention that the names of over 500 persons are given in the index some idea of the extent of Mr. Colles' friendships and activities and experiences may be formed. It is a book everyone will read with pleasure, and every fellow and graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, should have a copy on his bookshelf. There is a fine appreciation of Professor Edward Dowden, and delightful references to Edwin Hamilton and James Moody Lowry (two Irish humanists who ought to be better known than they are), with copious extracts from their works.

One obvious mistake we should like to point out. Amongst the many public entertainments not by Mr. Colles are the Kennedy Family, whose concerts of Scottish music were so much appreciated twenty-five or thirty years ago by sons and daughters of Scotland in all the four quarters of the globe. The author says they perished in a theatre fire at Nice. This was lives in that terrible holocaust; but the other members of the family for several years afterwards used to delight audiences throughout the length and breadth of the British isles, and we ourselves remember seeing old David Kennedy, the year after the fire, bring tears to the eyes of an audience and then turn the tears to laughter with that facility which belongs only to the born humorist.

It is a pity the book is marred in places by execrable punctuation, and in other places it is to be regretted the author has allowed his English to degenerate into jargonisms of an objectionable sort. But even this we are ready to forgive in his case, and we are glad to give the polish which his literary instinct must tell him is necessary on a few of his pages. There are several full-page illustrations, mostly portraits.

The following are a few anecdotes taken at random from the book: Forgive O'Hara, the artist, told me a rather amusing story of Irish life.

When Irving paid his first visit to London, he was called upon by O'Hara, who wished to make some lightning sketches of the great actor. Having made a few thumbnail portraits, O'Hara said:

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"Certainly," replied Irving, producing a couple of dozen photographs of himself; "you can have which you like."

O'Hara chose a photograph, and then, as he was taking leave, said: "Will you add to your kindness, Mr. Irving, by signing this photograph?"

"With pleasure," said Irving, and taking up a pen, he wrote across the foot of the photograph:

"To my very dear friend—"

and turning to O'Hara, asked in the charming manner which all lovers of Irving will recall with a sigh: "What name did you say?"

It is ten to one that the first car driver one strikes on visiting Ireland is as truly a born humorist as Mark Twain. Sir George Meyers was fond of telling a good story about a jarvey who used to drive him to Glenageary at night from Westbury Road. One cold night, rather morning, Sir George having paid the fare, handed the jarvey a glass of whiskey, and on being handed back the empty glass, said: "Well, Pat, isn't that good whiskey?" "Begorra, yer honour," said honest Pat, "I forgot to taste it!"

One of the most amusing characters in Dublin was Dicky Byrne, a diminutive barrister and Justice of the Peace. Dicky used to sit on the bench at Rathfarnham Petty Sessions. One day a delinquent was brought before him, who was noticeably chiefly for his very red nose. "What is this case, Byrne?" asked a brother magistrate. "Another case of *dunawee herodias*," replied Dicky, as he took a pinch of snuff.

Percy French told me on one occasion that he was staying in the country at a house where the landlady proposed to give bed and board for twenty-five shillings a week. "I assure you," said French, gravely, "I was there a week before I discovered which was the bed and which was the board."

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# PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELTA	3 P.M., 13th May	See Special of Call
LONDON and ANTWERP	SICILIA	About 17th May	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, POONA and YOKOHAMA	DELHI	About 19th May	Freight only.
SHANGHAI	DELHI	About 25th May	Freight and Passage.
LONDON and ANTWERP	SUMATRA	About 31st May	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, POONA and YOKOHAMA	DELHI	About 1st June	Freight and Passage.

For Further Particulars apply to

E. A. NEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1911.

# CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

## SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HONGKONG and HAIPHONG	"SUNGKIANG"	On 13th May, Noon.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 13th May, 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TAMING"	On 16th May, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LUCHOW"	On 18th May, 4 p.m.
TIENSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 20th May, 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TEAN"	On 23rd May, 4 p.m.

## DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Saloons. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. REDUCED FARES, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

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SHANGHAI LINE—FAST SCHEDULE TWIN SCREW STEAMERS "ANHUI," "CHENAN," "CHINHUA" and "LINAN" with excellent accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the Saloons and Dining Saloon, leaving Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

Passengers must embark before midnight on SATURDAY, for the SUNDAY Morning sailings. A Co's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every SATURDAY Night.

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FARE, \$45 SINGLE and \$80 RETURN. For Freight or Passage apply to—

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1911.

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## FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW

### AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIPS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
"HAIYAN"	Capt. J. S. Rosch	TUESDAY, 16th May, at 11 A.M.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. W. C. Passmore	FRIDAY, 19th May, at 11 A.M.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	TUESDAY, 23rd May, at 11 A.M.

## FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 5 Days).

STEAMSHIPS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
"HAIYAN"	Capt. J. W. Evans	SUNDAY, 14th May, at 10 A.M.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. J. W. Evans	WEDNESDAY, 17th May, at 11 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier). For Freight and Passage, apply to—

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK &amp; Co., GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong, 13th May, 1911.

# HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE

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Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES, via STRAITS and COLOMBO.

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TAKING Cargo at Through Rates to all European North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Marseilles, Genoa, and other Mediterranean Ports, Black Baltic Sea and Ports, and all North and South American Ports.

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### OUTWARD.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG and YOKOHAMA:	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
S.S. SCANDIA	"SACHSEN"	25th May
S.S. SLAVONIA	"SACHSEN"	25th May
S.S. SEGOVIA	"SACHSEN"	25th May
S.S. SPZIA	"SACHSEN"	25th May
S.S. SILENSIA	"SACHSEN"	25th May
S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ	"SACHSEN"	25th May

For Further Particulars, apply to—

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1911.

# INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Saturday, 13th May, Noon.
MANILA	"WINGSANG"	Saturday, 13th May, 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Sunday, 14th May, 11 p.m.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"CHOYSANG"	Sunday, 14th May, 9 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Monday, 15th May, Noon.
TIENSIN	"CHIPSANG"	Wednesday, 17th May, Noon.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	"FOOKSANG"	Monday, 29th May, Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Wednesday, 31st May, Noon.

## RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN,

(OCCUPYING 24 DAYS).

The Steamers "KUTSANG," "NABANG" and "FOOKSANG" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

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Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Taingtau, Weihaiwei, Chefoo, Tientsin and Newchwang.

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Hongkong, 13th May, 1911.

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### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS	TONS	SAILING DATES
KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY, 27th May, at 1 p.m.
SIBERIA	18,000	FRIDAY, 24th June, at 1 p.m.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 24th June, at 1 p.m.
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 15th July, at 1 p.m.
KOREA	18,000	FRIDAY, 11th Aug., at 1 p.m.
SIBERIA	18,000	FRIDAY, 25th Aug., at 1 p.m.
MANCHURIA	27,000	FRIDAY, 8th Sept., at 1 p.m.
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 30th Sept., at 1 p.m.

All Steamers are Equipped with Wireless Telegraphy.

THE P.M. S.S. "KOREA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, 27th May, at 1 p.m.

FARES: HONGKONG TO LONDON £71 10s. 0d. RETURN, SIX MONTHS, £120; 24 MONTHS, £125; INCLUDING BERTH AND MEALS ACROSS AMERICA.

SPECIAL RATES (First Class Only) Granted upon Application. To European Points: Officials of any European Naval, Military, Diplomatic, Consular and/or Civil Services located in Asia, to European Officials in the Services of the Governments of China and Japan. To United States Points: Commissioned Officers of the United States Army, Navy, U.S.P.H. & M.H. Services, U.S. Consul Generals, Consuls and Vice-Consuls stationed at Ports of Call. To United States and Canadian Points: Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Officials of the Governments of China and Japan. These Special Rates apply when travelling at their own expense and to their families. To all points:—Missionaries and their families.

## INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

PERSIA ..... 9,000 Tons ..... FRIDAY, 19th May, at 1 p.m.

CHINA ..... 10,200 Tons ..... FRIDAY, 16th June, at 1 p.m.

FRIDAY, 7th July, at 1 p.m.

THE S.S. "PERSIA" will leave for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 19th May, at 1 p.m.

On the Five Mail Steamers, CHINA and PERSIA First Class.

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FARES, HONGKONG TO LONDON via Canadian Atlantic Ports, £45.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, KING'S BUILDING (opposite Blake Pier).

FRED J. HALTON, AGENT.

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### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMERS	TONS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING
NIPPON MARU	11,000	H. S. Smith	FRIDAY, June 2nd, 1 p.m.
CHIYO MARU	21,000	W. W. Greene	FRIDAY, June 30th, 1 p.m.
AMERICA MARU	11,000	A. G. Stevens	FRIDAY, July 21st, 1 p.m.
TENYO MARU	21,000	E. Bent	FRIDAY, July 23rd, 1 p.m.

† Triple Screws, turbine engines. \* Twin Screws.

All Steamers are equipped with the Japanese Government Wireless Telegraph and Post Office.

THE Twin Screw Steamer "NIPPON MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, CHI, SHIMIZU, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 2nd June, at 1 p.m.

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### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

STEAMERS	TONS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	H. Hinokuma	SATURDAY, June 17th, 1 p.m.
KIYO MARU	17,500	H. Nishi	TUESDAY, Aug. 15th, 1 p.m.
BUYO MARU	10,500	K. Hashimoto	SATURDAY, Oct. 14th, 1 p.m.

THE Steamer "HONGKONG MARU" will be despatched for MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO and CORONEL on SATURDAY, 17th June, at 1 p.m.

### FARES FROM HONGKONG.

TO	FARE
SAN FRANCISCO	£ 45-0-0, Single
NEW YORK	£ 60-0-0
LONDON	£ 71-0-0
"	£ 120-0-0, Return 6 Months
"	£ 125-0-0, 24 "
"	Yen. 420.00, Single "
"	Yen. 570.00, "

SPECIAL RATES (First Class Only) are granted to the undermentioned and their families when travelling at their own expense:—

TO EUROPEAN POINTS:—Officials of any European Naval, Military, Diplomatic, Consular or Civil Services located in Asia, European Officials in the Service of the Government of China and Japan.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TONS (Gross reg.)	LEAVES.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA	"TACOMA MARU"	6,178	TUESDAY, 16th May, at 11 A.M.
VIA KEELUNG, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU and YOKOHAMA	"SEATTLE MARU"	6,182	TUESDAY, 13th June, at 11 A.M.
	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	WEDNESDAY, 12th July, at 11 A.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA	"PANAMA MARU"	6,059	TUESDAY, 30th May, at 11 A.M.
VIA KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU and YOKOHAMA	"MEXICO MARU"	6,061	TUESDAY, 27th June, at 11 A.M.
	"CANADA MARU"	6,063	TUESDAY, 25th July, at 11 A.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW and AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 14th May, at 10 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW and AMOY	"SOSHU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 17th May, at 10 A.M.

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